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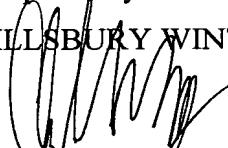
By this Amendment, claim 30 has been amended to be in condition for allowance, claims 1-9, 11-26, 28-29 and 31-37 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer, and new claims 38 and 39, directed to network elements corresponding to allowed network claims 27 and 30 are added. Claims 10, 27, 30 and 38-39 are pending.

Applicant submits that all pending claims are allowable and, therefore, requests issuance of a notice of allowance indicating the allowability of all pending claims. If anything further is necessary to place the application in condition for allowance, Applicant requests that the Examiner contact Applicant's undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

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